

Remarks

Claims 1-86 and 122-131 are pending.

Claims 87, 112, 114-119, 121, 140, 148, and 151 have been amended. No new matter has been added with the amendments to the claims, which are intended to merely clarify language used in the claims and the subject matter claimed. The scope of the claims is intended to be the same after the amendment as it was before the amendment.

Extension of Term.

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. If any extension and/or fee are required, please charge Account No. 23-2053.

It is submitted that the present claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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